

BEVERAGE ANTENNA TRANSFORMER UPDATE

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Recent experimental research has yielded some significant improvements in the efficiency of r-f transformers used in Beverage antenna construction. The MN-60 and BBR-7731 core materials have been replaced by new higher efficiency MN-8-CX material. Further we have discovered that additional efficiency improvement may be obtained by stacking two of our cores in each transformer. The procedure is simple. Just place one core on top of another and wind the transformer using the turns information in the BEVERAGE ANTENNA HANDBOOK. A greater than 0.4 dB decrease in insertion loss results over a very wide frequency range (500 kHz to 10 MHz). The result is a 0.4 dB improvement in reception sensitivity and noise figure. If end termination transformers are used the improvement will be 0.8 dB (two transformers in signal path). Below I have tabulated single and double core insertion loss versus frequency.

~~CORE PRICES, POSTPAID. 4 for \$5, 8 for \$8, 16 for \$14~~

MHz	MN-8-CX	DOUBLE MN-8-CX	MN-60	DOUBLE MN-60
0.1	-8.10	-3.70	-2.93	-1.49
0.5	-1.03	-0.38	-0.76	-0.38
1.0	-0.57	-0.24	-0.75	-0.32
1.8	-0.51	-0.21	-0.63	-0.27
2.0	-0.49	-0.18	-0.60	-0.23
3.5	-0.32	-0.07	-0.49	-0.10
3.9	-0.27	-0.03	-0.43	-0.10
7.2	-0.40	-0.32	-0.81	-0.43
10.0	-1.29	-1.42	-2.68	-1.63
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FOR BEST PERFORMANCE

10MHz -----Single MN-8-CX
 Broadcast Band-----Double MN-8-CX
 1.8 to 7.3MHz-----Double MN-8-CX

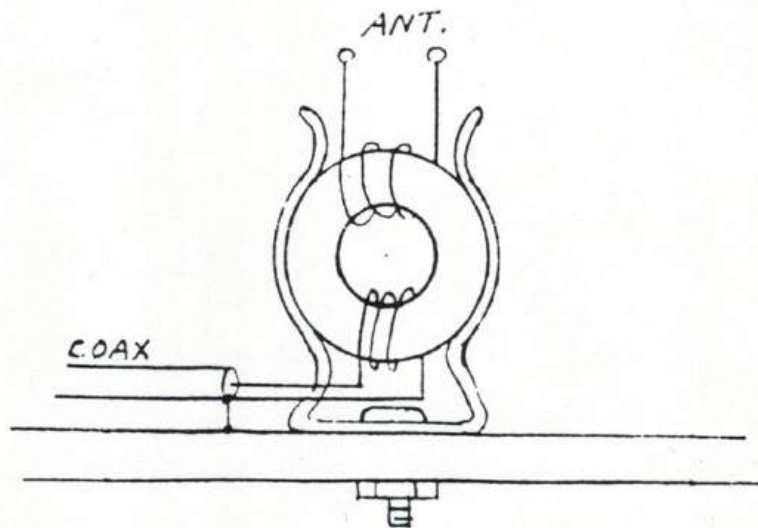
N. B. : ABOVE RESULTS APPLY ONLY TO CORES DIMENSIONED

OD=0.5in ID=0.312in T=0.25in

FARADAY SHIELD UPDATE

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The Faraday shield procedure shown on pp 59 has been a construction bottleneck because of the difficulty obtaining mini-coax. We have therefore researched the use of bronze fuse clips to provide Faraday shielding and a snappy mechanical mount for SWA transformers. The fuse clip mounts eliminate the need for mini-coax, provide a good ohmic ground for the cores (MN8CX is conductive), greatly reduce capacitive coupling between windings (Faraday shield effect) and can accommodate either single or double core transformers. The clip has a hole in its base to accept a mounting screw. The core is easier to wind because the window does not become stuffed with coax. Cores which are ground by lightning can be unsnapped and replaced. The clip also bypasses lightning induced surges to ground rather than arcing into the output winding where it can raise hob with receiver front ends. Configuration shown in diagram below.



MN8CX CORES AND CLIPS

MN8CX CORES	BRONZE CLIPS	VN66AFD FET	ALL PRICES
4 @ \$5.50	4 @ \$3.50	\$2.00 EACH	INCLUDE
8 @ \$8.50	8 @ \$6.00		POSTAGE
16 @ \$14.50	16 @ \$11.00		(USA ONLY)

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MN8CX **General Purpose Mn-Zn Ferrite for Linear, Pulse, and Power Applications**

The combination of a narrow BH loop, moderately high resistivity, and a stable permeability make this ferrite an excellent choice for operation into the MHz range.

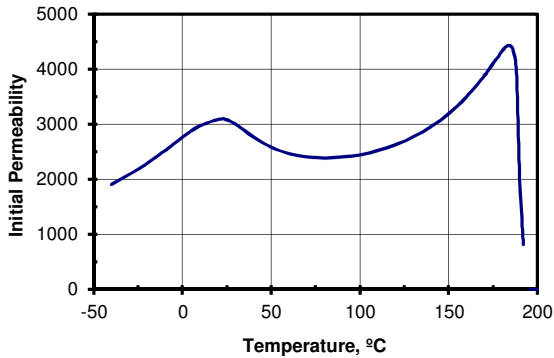
Typical Properties

Initial Permeability	3100
Maximum Permeability	3700
Saturation Flux Density	4500 Gauss
Remanent Flux Density	850 Gauss
Coercive Force	0.20 Oersted
Curie Temperature	195°C
dc Volume Resistivity	1200 ohm-cm
Bulk Density	4.7 g/cc

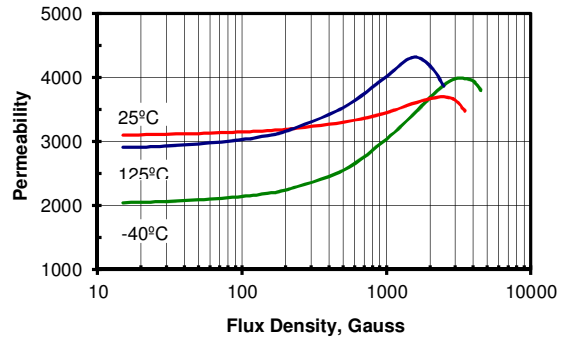
Unless otherwise specified, all tests were performed at 10 KHz, 22°C

Bs tested at 20 Oersted • Br, Hc at 5 Oersted

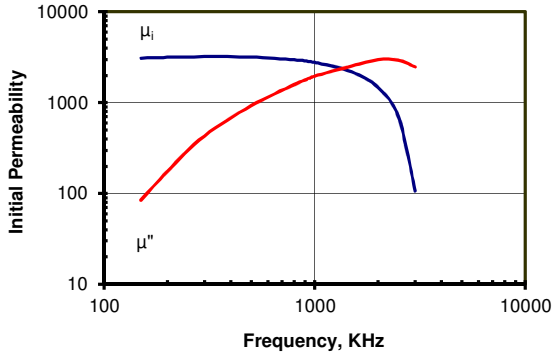
Initial Permeability vs. Temperature



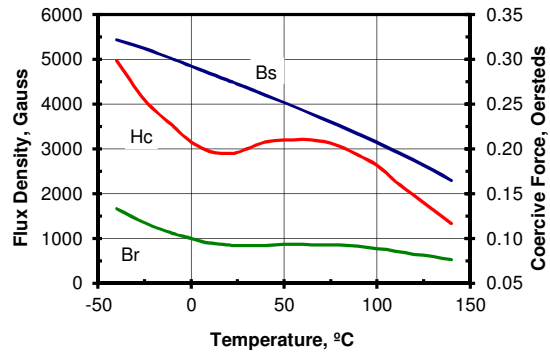
Permeability vs. Flux Density



Complex Permeability vs. Frequency



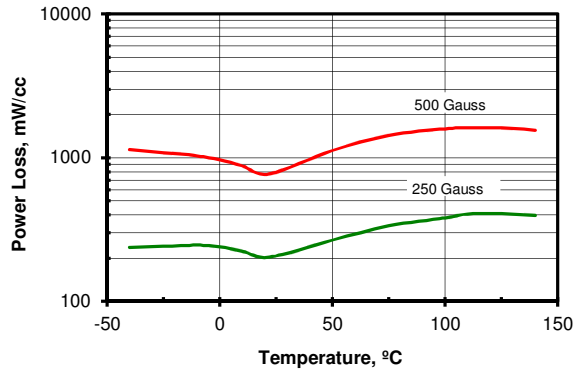
BH Loop Parameters vs. Temperature





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Power Loss vs. Temperature at 1 MHz



Power Loss vs. Frequency

